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AMENDMENT

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: D.E. Levy et al. Attorney Docket No.: LEVD121005  
Application No.: 10/713,610 Group Art Unit: 3728  
Filed: November 13, 2003 Examiner: J.T. Kavanaugh  
Title: BOOT MOUNTED BRAKING DEVICE FOR SNOW SLEDS

**RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL LETTER/  
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Seattle, Washington 98101

March 4, 2005

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

A. Response Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is a response to an election of species requirement in the above-identified application.

X 1. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Present Extra		Rate		Additional Fee
Total Claims	20	-	20	=	0	x	25	=	0
Independent Claims	6	-	6	=	0	x	100	=	0
TOTAL									\$0

B. Petition for Extension of Time

Applicants respectfully request that the shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Office Action dated January 4, 2005, set to expire on February 4, 2005, be extended by 1 month, to expire on March 4, 2005. Enclosed Check No. 161908 includes the 1-month extension fee of \$60.00.

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C. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Claims 1-20 are pending in the present application. In the election of species requirement mailed on January 4, 2005, a position was set forth that the application contained three patentably distinct species: Species 1, FIGURES 1-3; Species 2, FIGURE 4; and Species 3, FIGURE 5. Accordingly, a requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to elect a species for prosecution was set forth.

In response to the election of species requirement, applicants elect Species 1, FIGURES 1-3, for prosecution on the merits, without prejudice to file divisional applications directed to Species 2 and 3. Applicants hereby make such election without traverse. Claims 1, 2, 4-10, and 12-20 read on the elected species. Claims 1, 10, 14, and 18 appear to be generic. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney if there are any remaining issues regarding this matter.

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